IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Michael R. Emmert-Buck

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office action dated December 20, 2005, for which a three month period of reply was set, making a response due on or before March 20, 2006. A petition for a three-month extension of time for response accompanies this amendment, along with the appropriate fee, now making the response due on or before June 20, 2006. If any additional fees are required in connection with filing this Amendment, please charge to the deposit account provided on the accompanying transmittal letter.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 11.

A brief Conclusion is on page 24.